Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Inouye, Byrd, Leahy, Harkin, Dorgan, Durbin, Feinstein, Mikulski, Kohl, Murray, Specter, Cochran, Bond, McConnell, Shelby, Gregg, Hutchison, Bennett, and Brownback.

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Commemorating Canonization of Father Damien de Veuster, SS.CC.: Senate agreed to S. Res. 304, commemorating the canonization of Father Damien de Veuster, SS.CC. to sainthood.

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Support for Victims of Natural Disasters: Senate agreed to S. Res. 305, expressing support for the victims of the natural disasters in Indonesia, Samoa, American Samoa, Tonga, Vietnam, Cambodia, and the Philippines.

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National Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 306, designating the week of October 18 through October 24, 2009, as "National Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Week".

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U.S. Citizens in Iran: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 45, encouraging the Government of Iran to allow Joshua Fattal, Shane Bauer, and Sarah Shourd to reunite with their families in the United States as soon as possible.

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Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 10:30 a.m., on Wednesday, October 7, 2009, Senate resume consideration of H.R. 2847, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, and Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010.

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 72 yeas 22 nays (Vote No. EX. 306), Thomas E. Perez, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

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Cloture Motion—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the previously scheduled vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination, be vitiated.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Mary John Miller, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Michael F. Mundaca, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Denny Chin, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit.

O. Rogeriee Thompson, of Rhode Island, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit.

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Measures Placed on the Calendar:

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Record Votes: Ten record votes were taken today. (Total—315)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:34 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, October 7, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$10168.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

U.S. POLICY OPTIONS FOR MINIMIZING THREATS FROM IRAN

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine minimizing potential threats from Iran, focusing on administration perspectives on economic sanctions and other United States policy options, after receiving testimony from Senators Brownback and Casey; James B. Steinberg, Deputy Secretary of State; Stuart Levey, Under Secretary of the Treasury for Terrorism and Financial Intelligence; and Daniel O. Hill, Acting Under Secretary of Commerce for Industry and Security.

EXPORT SUCCESS FOR SMALL AND MEDIUM-SIZED BUSINESS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Competitiveness, Innovation, and Export Promotion concluded a hearing to examine promoting export success for small and medium-sized businesses, after receiving testimony from Rochelle J. Lipsitz, Acting Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Trade Promotion and Director General, United States and Foreign Commercial Service, International Trade Administration; Alice P. Albright, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, Export-

Import Bank of the United States; Tom J. Wollin, Mattracks, Inc., Karlstad, Minnesota; Liz J. Reilly, United States Chamber of Commerce, Washington, D.C.; and Bradley E. Pierce, Restaurant Equipment World, Orlando, Florida.

INTERNATIONAL RECOVERY OF CHILD SUPPORT AND OTHER FORMS OF FAMILY MAINTENANCE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Hague Convention on the International Recovery of Child Support and Other Forms of Family Maintenance (Treaty Doc. 110–21), after receiving testimony from Keith Loken, Assistant Legal Adviser for Private International Law, Office of the Legal Adviser, Department of State; Vicki Turetsky, Commissioner, Office of Child Support Enforcement, Department of Health and Human Services; Alisha Griffin, New Jersey Department of Human Services Office of Child Support Services, Trenton; and Battle R. Robinson, Delaware Uniform Law Commissioner, Georgetown.

HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATORS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law concluded a hearing to examine accountability for human rights violators, after receiving testimony from Lanny A. Breuer, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; John Morton, Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security for United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement; David T. Donahue, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Visa Services, Bureau of Consular Affairs; and Arthur M. Cummings II,

Executive Assistant Director—National Security Branch, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

EXECUTIVE BRANCH CZARS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution concluded a hearing to examine the history and legality of executive branch "czars", after receiving testimony from T.J. Halstead, Deputy Assistant Director, American Law Division, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; John C. Harrison, University of Virginia School of Law, Charlottesville; Tuan Samahon, Villanova University School of Law, Villanova, Pennsylvania; Matthew Spalding, The Heritage Foundation, Washington, D.C.; and Bradley H. Patterson, Bethesda, Maryland.

RECOVERY ACT

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Recovery Act for small businesses, focusing on what is working and what comes next, after receiving testimony from Eric R. Zarnikow, Associated Administrator, Office of Capitol Access, and Joseph G. Jordan, Associate Administrator, Government Contracting and Business Development, both of the Small Business Administration; Brenda DeGraffenreid, Supervisory Acquisition Manager, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Department of Energy; Sally Rockey, Acting Deputy Director for Extramural Research, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; and Linda B. Oliver, Acting Director, Office of Small Business Programs, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 3719–3735; and 9 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 194–195; and H. Res. 796–798, 800–803, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 719, commending Russ Meyer on his induction into the National Aviation Hall of Fame, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–282);

H. Con. Res. 138, recognizing the 40th anniversary of the George Bush Intercontinental Airport in Houston, Texas (H. Rept. 111–283);

H.R. 3371, to amend title 49, United States Code, to improve airline safety and pilot training (H. Rept. 111–284);

H. Res. 465, recognizing the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway Association on the occasion of its 10th anniversary, with amendments (H. Rept. 111–285);

H.R. 3305, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 224 South Boulder Avenue in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as the "H. Dale Cook Federal Building and United States Courthouse" (H. Rept. 111–286); and

H. Res. 799, providing for consideration of the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2997)